Atty. Dkt. No. 017344-0299

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Motohide OTSUBO

Title:

A METHOD OF SEARCHING FOR AND RETRIEVING INFORMATION

FROM STRUCTURED DOCUMENTS

(As Amended)

Appl. No.:

09/357,841

Appl. Filing Date:

07/21/1999

Examiner:

Schlaifer, Jonathon D.

Art Unit:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously	y submitted:
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[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37
	C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on
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b. End	closed are:
[X]	Amendment/Reply.
[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
[]	Form PTO-1449 with copies of listed reference(s).
[]	Other.

Miscellaneous:

[] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of __ months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):						\$770.00	=	\$770.00
Total Claims:	21	-	21	= 0	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents	2	-	3	= 0	x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
First p	resentation o	of any	/ Multiple I	Dependent Claims:	+	\$290.00	=	\$0.00
				CLAIMS	S FEE	E TOTAL:	=	\$770.00

[X] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	\$110.00	Extension for response filed within the first month:	[]	
\$420.00	\$420.00	Extension for response filed within the second month:	[X]	
\$0.00	\$950.00	Extension for response filed within the third month:	[]	
\$0.00	\$1,480.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	[]	
\$0.00	\$2,010.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	[]	
\$420.00	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			
\$0.00	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID: -			
\$420.00	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			
\$1190.00	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			
\$0.00	[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			
\$0.00	[] Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			
\$1190.00	TAL FEE:	TC		

- [] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$1190.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.
- [X] A check in the amount of \$1190.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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